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Yugoslavia Superphosphate Plant

1. Background

Under a 1956 agreement between Yugoslavia and the USSR, the latter country is to furnish equipment for a superphosphate fertilizer plant with an annual capacity of 250,000 tons. This plant is under construction at Kosovska Mitrovica. In several instances, the USSR reportedly has "re-exported" chemical equipment. For example, the USSR had chemical equipment produced in East Germany for shipment to another Bloc country as a USSR "export." There is some evidence that the USSR may be doing the same in the case of the equipment for the superphosphate plant, especially the large items of chemical equipment for this plant. Markings, if any, on the large items probably will not indicate the original source of the equipment.

2. Requirements

- (1) Which countries shipped the chemical equipment? (The bill of lading may provide a clue.)
- (2) Types of equipment shipped from countries other than the USSR?
- (3) If other countries supplied chemical equipment for this plant, why were they involved?

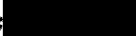
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